REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Entry of the above-amendment is respectfully requested prior to examination of the application. The above application corresponds to an application originally filed in Japanese. The above amendment revises the application as translated into English to be in a format more closely corresponding to that customarily employed in US patent practice, corrects grammatical errors, and eliminates multiple dependent claims. Further, attached is a substitute drawing sheet for replacement of Figure 2. The replacement shows the reference 43a-2 in the left side of the Fig. 2 as described in the paragraph bridging pages 16 and 17 of the specification, which was previously described as 42a-2.

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